

REPORT COVER SHEET		S E C R E T NO FOREIGN DISSEM		PROCESSING ACTION	
FROM	CHIEF, BONN OPS BASE	REPORT NO.	EGN 2721	COVER SHEET MARKED FOR INDEXING	
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SUPPLEMENTAL DATA					
1. A QUALIFIED AMERICAN OFFICIAL FROM OFFICIALS OF THE FEDERAL OFFICE FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE CONSTITUTION /BFV/. [Signature] FROM [Signature] CAVATA-16'S SECRETARY AND [Signature] IS THE SENIOR OFFICIAL CITED IN FIELD COMMENT. NOT FOR LIAISON.					
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WEST GERMANY ILLNESS OF BFV PRESIDENT SCHRUEBBERS 23 MARCH 1966 GERMANY, BONN /23 MARCH 1966/					
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DECLASSIFIED AND RELEASED BY CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY SOURCES/METHODS EXEMPTION 3B2B NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT DATE 2006					

1. BFV PRESIDENT HUBERT SCHRUEBBERS HAS SUFFERED A RATHER SEVERE ATTACK OF WHAT HAS BEEN CALLED FACIAL RHEUMATISM, WHICH HAS CAUSED A PARALYSIS OF THE RIGHT SIDE OF HIS FACE. HE IS EXPERIENCING DIFFICULTY IN SPEAKING, EATING AND KEEPING HIS RIGHT EYELID OPEN. ALTHOUGH RUMORS ARE CIRCULATING IN THE BFV THAT SCHRUEBBERS MAY HAVE SUFFERED A STROKE, THIS HAS NOT BEEN CONFIRMED.

2. SCHRUEBBERS HAS BEEN CONFINED TO HIS HOME FOR AN INDEFINITE PERIOD WHICH WILL BE AT LEAST FOUR WEEKS AND PERHAPS TWO MONTHS. HE IS CURRENTLY UNDERGOING ELECTRICAL MASSAGE TREATMENTS. SINCE HE IS NOT COMPLETELY INCAPACI-

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TATED, HE IS ABLE TO READ IMPORTANT BFV PAPERS AND SIGN DOCUMENTS. THE BFV HAS SET UP A TWICE DAILY COURIER SYSTEM BETWEEN HIS HOME AND OFFICE.

3. THE ABOVE SITUATION HAS CAUSED A SERIOUS LEADERSHIP PROBLEM WITHIN THE BFV, SINCE ~~BFV VICE-PRESIDENT (DR.) ERNST BRUECKNER~~ ^{2A-11 12-55} HAS BEEN ON SICK LEAVE SINCE THE END OF DECEMBER 1965 AND IS NOT EXPECTED TO RETURN TO THE BFV PERMANENTLY IN ANY CASE. AT PRESENT, ~~DEPARTMENT III CHIEF, (DR.) GUENTHER NOLLAU~~ ^{2K-11 12-55}, IS ACTING BFV CHIEF AND WILL PRESIDE AT AN UPCOMING MEETING OF THE LFV CHIEFS, SCHEDULED FOR 21 MARCH 1966. HE WILL ALSO REPRESENT THE BFV AS CHAIRMAN OF THE NATO SPECIAL COMMITTEE MEETING EARLY IN APRIL 1966.

4. /FIELD COMMENT - THE LONG-RANGE EFFECTS UPON THE BFV AS A RESULT OF SCHRUEBBER'S ILLNESS CAN NOT YET BE ESTIMATED, BUT IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THE INTERIOR MINISTRY WILL INTENSIFY ITS EFFORT TO FIND A REPLACEMENT FOR DR. BRUECKNER, ALTHOUGH SCHRUEBBER HAS STATED THAT HE WANTS TO TAKE HIS TIME IN ASSESSING AND SELECTING A NEW VICE-PRESIDENT. DR. BRUECKNER'S RESIGNATION WILL NOT BE MADE OFFICIAL UNTIL HE RETURNS FROM A SICK CURE ABOUT 15 APRIL 1966. WE HAVE NO INFORMATION ON HIS NEXT ASSIGNMENT, ALTHOUGH ONE

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SENIOR BfV OFFICIAL STATED THAT HE IS ALLEGEDLY UNDER CON-
SIDERATION AS CHIEF OF THE BUNDESVERWALTUNGSAMT IN COLOGNE./

5. FIELD DISSEM - STATE, USAREUR, USAFE.

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